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By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

It was a mixture of shock and honour when acclaimed netball coach Ruth Aitken read she had been made a Dame. She's been living back in her hometown of Paeroa for the past few years, after a three-year stint in Singapore working with their netball association and national team.

Before that, Ruth was appointed the eighth Silver Ferns coach, fashioning an enviable record during her 10-year run.

As coach, Ruth won a Netball World Cup gold medal in 2003 and back-to-back Commonwealth Games golds in 2006 and 2010. These were followed by silver medals at the 2007 and 2011 Netball World Cup and 2002 Commonwealth Games.

Now, Ruth has been named a Dame Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for her services to netball. She is one of six Thames Valley community members recognised for their services in this year's Queen's Birthday and Platinum Jubilee Honours List, released on Monday.

Among the list is also a Matatoki activist; a Thames kaumatua; and a shorebird conservationist.

Ruth told *The Profile* she had to read the Governor General's letter twice before the news sunk in. The acknowledgement comes 11 years after she was appointed an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit.

"I think that anytime you receive a personal letter from the Governor General it's incredibly special," she said. "I feel blessed to have been acknowledged twice."

Growing up in Paeroa was where Ruth's passion for netball began.

"I remember starting netball with the Miller Avenue Primary School team, the frosty mornings at the netball courts in the domain, having to sweep the acorns off the court, and having a lot of fun with my friends. It was a memorable start," she said.

"People often think that small towns are a disadvantage for young sportspeople, but the research actually shows that those who grow up in rural areas often have an advantage as they are able to play a number of sports as they are growing up. This is now seen as much more important than specialising in one sport early on."

Ruth also said support from parents, whānau, and local sporting organisations was also vital for young athletes to be given the opportunity to play sports and improve.

"Having been brought up in Paeroa gives you a great start... so go for it," she said.

Ruth said her time coaching Paeroa College netball would always be a highlight for her, as well as winning the 2003 World Champs with the Silver Ferns in Jamaica after a 16 year drought - not to mention the "amazing" welcome home parade that was held in Paeroa on her return.

"However, it's the people that make sport so memorable, and I have been privileged to work with some outstanding women and men over the years - players, as well as team management and administrators. That's what keeps you going," she said.

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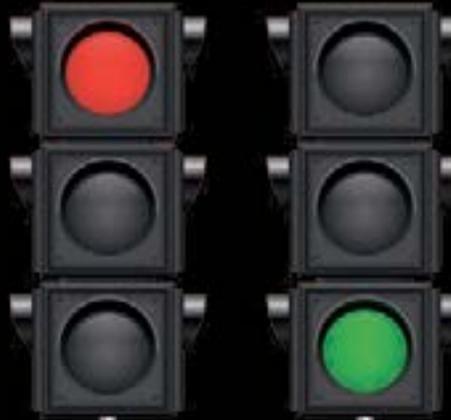


Acclaimed netball coach Ruth Aitken has been made a Dame.

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Services to women, Māori recognised

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

A long-term advocate for Māori-owned health and social services, and a Matatoki woman supporting marginalised members of the community are among those recognised in this year's Queen's Birthday Honours.

Denise Messiter (Ngāti Pūkenga ki Waiau), was named an Officer of the New Zealand Order of Merit for her services to Māori and health.

The Thames woman played a key role in establishing Te Whāriki Manawāhine o Hauraki Māori Women's Refuge in the Hauraki and is currently its general manager.

She led the establishment of the Hauraki Housing Network, and the Pātaka Kai food rescue service based in Paeroa, and in the 1980s she helped co-ordinate the establishment of the Hauraki Māori Trust Board.

Denise also led the establishment of the Hauraki Māori-owned health service Te Korowai Hauora O Hauraki in the 1990s and was its inaugural chief executive, overseeing primary and mental health services and home-based care for kaumatua, and participating in the deinstitutionalisation of Tokanui Hospital.

Denise has also supported indigenous communities and organisations in South Africa and Australia on a voluntary



Queen's Birthday Honour recipient Denise Messiter, far right, led the establishment of the Pātaka Kai food rescue service based in Paeroa.

File photo: KELLEY TANTAU

basis.

Meanwhile, Dr Miriam Edna Saphira has been made a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit for her services to the LGBTQIA+ community.

From Matatoki, Miriam has been supporting vulnerable and marginalised members of the community, particularly children, women in abusive relationships, and the lesbian and gay community for more than 50 years.

She published her book *The Sexual Abuse of Children* in 1981, which has become a key

reference for those working with abused children and offenders, and has been a member of the *Broadsheet* feminist magazine since the late 1970s, highlighting issues such as domestic violence, rape awareness, child sexual abuse, sexual harassment and gay and lesbian rights.

In 2007, she established New Zealand's first museum of lesbian culture; The Charlotte Museum Trust, which aims to preserve and display lesbian cultural artefacts, and advocate for lesbian culture.

Other community members recognised include two from rural Hauraki: Miranda's Adrienne Dalton and Keith Woodley, who were both named Members of the New Zealand Order of Merit.

Adrienne Dalton co-established Te Whāngai Trust in 2007 as a social enterprise, which to date has supported around 800 New Zealanders to upskill with career opportunities supporting nature.

Adrienne has a background in special needs education and

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Whangamata	-0	07	-0	07
Waihi Beach	-0	12	-0	12

'The job's not finished'

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

A Thames kaumātua and iwi negotiator says the work continues on Treaty settlements that have been ongoing since 2009. Walter (Wati) Ngamane, from Thames, is a co-negotiator for Ngāti Maru, working alongside other iwi to complete Treaty Settlement Negotiations.

After being named a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit for his services to Māori and tourism, Wati said the job was "not finished yet".

"The end goal keeps us focused. What else can you do?" he said. "You can't give up."

According to the New Zealand Government, as of August 2018, 73 settlements had been passed into law. The total value of all finalised settlements was \$2.24 billion.

Wati, who has been the chairman of the Ngāti Maru Runanga Trust since 1999, and a trustee and chairman of Matai Whetu Marae since 2001, said he appreciated the support of the people "waiting patiently" during the settlement process.

"Because I am involved in all these things, it's also about the sacrifices that my wife and children and family have had to make over the years."

Wati is the principal representative between Ngāti Maru and Thames-Coromandel District Council and Hauraki District Council.

He has been the co-chair of



Kaumātua Wati Ngamane has been the chairman of the Ngāti Maru Runanga Trust since 1999, and a trustee and chairman of Matai Whetu Marae since 2001. File Photo: JOHN COWPLAND

Hauraki Rail Trail since 2016, and Ngāti Maru's education representative, supporting the development of rangatahi in the region. He has also taught at several schools throughout Hauraki and was a foundation member in establishing the Te Kohanga Reo movement in Pare Hauraki.

"If I didn't think any of it was important, I wouldn't do it, but [community service] is something

that was inherited from my father," Wati said.

"He passed it on to me, and it's just about being involved with different things like the schools and education and iwi."

Wati also received a Thames-Coromandel District Council Community Service Medal in 2021, but he said the recognitions were "a bit of an embarrassment".

"I know other people in the com-

munity who would be more deserving of the [MNZM] than me, one of them being my sister who passed away earlier in the year.

"The recognitions are, personally, a bit of an embarrassment, because there's other people I know that are just as deserving, if not more deserving for this."



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social care, and became involved with conservation working with Taskforce Green to restore native bush on her and her husband's farm.

She then set up Te Whāngai Trust with her husband as a pilot programme with the Ministry of Social Development, later personally funding its continuation. The trust has three nursery hubs from North Waikato to South Auckland, each run by local iwi.

Keith Woodley has been the shorebird centre manager for the Pūkoro Mirānda Naturalists Trust for 28 years.

In that time, he has led an ever-expanding range of activities, from various annual courses, through organising visits of national and international speakers, and delivering talks to local schools.

In his time as manager, the Shorebird Centre has grown to be a popular stop for tourists and is the largest specialist natural history bookshop in New Zealand.

Keith has travelled regularly to China, and North and South Korea to work on projects and advocate for the protection of key habitats to maintain shorebird migratory patterns to New Zealand, including the signing of an agreement with China in 2016 and an application for World Heritage Status to protect these habitats.



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Parking, speed changes proposed

By **KELLEY TANTAU**, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

Parking all day in the main shopping areas of Waihi and Paeroa could be a thing of the past if Hauraki District Council's traffic and parking bylaw is passed as proposed.

The council is proposing to implement two-hour parking limits in the main shopping areas of Waihi and Paeroa, between the hours of 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday but excluding public holidays.

According to council, complaints have been made about people parking along the main drags "all day", using spaces that should be available for paying customers.

"Time limits help create a turnover of parking spaces, maximising opportunities for customers to park their vehicles in high-demand locations," council said.

"In both Paeroa and Waihi there is off-street parking availability for business owners and operators. In Waihi, there is unrestricted parking available at the Waihi Event Centre as well as the Mueller St car park. In Paeroa, there is unrestricted parking available on Marshall St and Willoughby St."

Meanwhile, council's speed management plan is proposing reductions to speed limits on some of the district's roads.

A total of 63 roads have a

speed limit change proposed, 21 of them being in the vicinity of a school, where council is asking for feedback on reducing speeds to either 30kmh for

urban schools or 60kmh for rural schools.

"We reviewed 106 roads, and have proposed speed changes to some, and identified some areas where work is needed to reduce or support existing travel speeds," Mayor Toby Adams said.

"It's about making sure our district is a safe, happy and healthy place to live and thrive for everyone, so we really encourage our communities to have a say on the bylaw reviews and the speed management plan," he said.

Council is also installing a temporary speed reduction to repair a section along Hauraki Rd. The speed will be reduced from 100kmh to 80kmh, starting from the Cook Memorial towards Turua. This section of road will have an "area-wide treatment" in the next construction season to repair the road and make it safe again, council said.

DETAILS: Feedback on the proposed changes close on June 20 at 4pm. Submitters are able to speak to council at a hearing on Wednesday, July 13. More info on the HDC website.



Aiya Toko-Watene, left, Pippa Taipari, Nathan Khudolyey, and Jorja Klaricich with their EPro8 awards. Photo: SUPPLIED

Turua students win EPro8 Challenge

By **GORDON PREECE**

Four Turua School students were "completely ecstatic" after winning their local EPro8 Challenge in their category.

The annual interschool challenge, which aims to enhance students' knowledge of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM), took place over two days at Pārāwai School in Thames. Students from 11 schools around the region competed, with year seven and eight students competing on May 25 and year five and six students on May 26.

Turua School's "Breaking Thunder" team consisting of

Aiya Toko-Watene, Pippa Taipari, Nathan Khudolyey and Jorja Klaricich won the year 5 and 6 competition.

Turua School teacher Kate Butterfield told *The Profile* the school was "so proud" of their tamariki.

"They came back straight afterwards and were completely ecstatic, waving their trophy in the air and [there was] a good deal of yelling about what they did... and we were so proud of them," she said.

"All of our kids have shown a real interest in it, a desire to participate, an interest to take it further and learn more in [STEM] areas."

Kate said Turua School participated in EPro8 to give their students opportunities to practice their teamwork, communication and problem solving.

"All of these things we see as part of 21st century learning, skills they'll need in their lives going forward," she said.

"Breaking Thunder were listening to each other, supporting each other, they were trying different ideas... and the main thing is that persistence, and I think they really showed that."

Kate said Turua School wished Breaking Thunder all the best in the EPro8 grand final at St Paul's Collegiate School in Hamilton on June 21.

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Final roar for Thames Lions Club

By GORDON PREECE

After 59 years of serving its community, Thames Lions Club has officially called it quits.

Mike Furey, who was the club's final president for two years, told *The Profile* the decision was made after it couldn't attract enough new members.

"We had an opening evening but nobody came along, I had to go on the street to passers-by, we advertised and put it in the paper [for people] to find out about Lions, and I put heaps of notices in the shops and we didn't get any members from it," he said.

"So it's very sad... [for] people who join the Lions, our guiding principle is we serve, we try and serve the community. If we could've attracted new members, it would've been wonderful."

Mike said at the time of closure there were around 12 members on the club's books but only five or six were active and even they had not been coming to meetings or being involved.

"They're all very sad because some of them have been in it a long time, they didn't want to see it close but there's no alternative," he said.

"For an incorporated society, you've got to have at least 15 members. With five [members] and with the secretary resigned, the end of my term and the treasurer wanting to take on responsibilities at another club, without those three and



Luis Velocci, left, Mike Furey, Jan Watson, Steve Watson and Shane Dinneen at Thames Lions Club's final meeting. Photo: SUPPLIED

just two other people it's not a club really."

Mike said the club's initiatives over the years included holding stalls for Kauaeranga Valley Visitor Centre open days, installing a play boat at Porritt Park, cutting privet trees and helping with Model Barn open day car parking and the Paeroa Lions Club cycle rally.

Mike said the club also recently installed a community piano donated by Thames piano teacher Sharyn Clark in Goldfield's Shopping Centre

and hoped to get more projects off the ground. "I was all for getting the community involved in things... we have a whole list of ideas of what we could do but without people in the organisation to help it's not easy."

"I was looking to do a concrete [table tennis table] outside of Porritt Park but apparently Porritt Park is being developed... I was hoping that would be our last contribution," he said.

"I'm looking to negotiate with Goldfield's to see if we can get

some table tennis tables put in there with the funds that we've got left."

Mike said he also planned to give some of the club's remaining funds to other Thames organisations, would continue maintaining the club's signs in Thames and had given their resources to The Treasury.

"We'd like to thank the community for all their support over the years... we hope we've served Thames well and that's all we were trying to do, make Thames better."

In Brief

BOOK LAUNCH

The Treasury Archive & Research Centre will launch their new book - *More True Tales of Waikino and Waitekauri* at an event Waikino Station Cafe on June 12 from 2pm until 4pm. The book is a new collection of local stories by local people from the Waikino and Waitekauri areas from the past and present. The book is also available to pre-order online at www.thetreasury.org.nz or at local bookstores.

MATARIKI PLANTING

The Western Firth Catchment Group's application to MPI's Tu Rākau Matariki grant programme has been successful, and will go towards a community planting event on the banks of the Hauarahi Stream, Kaiaua, on June 24. Organisers said the planting would be a great way to celebrate Matariki and continue the restoration of the stream. RSVP by June 22 to ric.balfour@landcare.org.nz

LAUNCH FEES

TCDC is changing boat ramp launching and boat trailer parking fees. Council endorsed fees of: a combined annual fee for boat launching and trailer parking set at \$115; a launching only annual fee set at \$45; a daily launching only fee of \$15 per day; and a daily combo boat launching and trailer parking fee of \$30 per day. Fees apply at nine council boat ramps from July 1; the remaining 17 would remain free to use.

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Thank You For The Music

Thames Music and Drama hosted *Mamma Mia! The Musical* between May 28 and June 4. The sold out show featured local entertainers singing and dancing with glitz and glamour on stage and lots of laughs from the audience. Reporter **GORDON PREECE** sailed to Kalokairi at Thames Civic Centre for a front row seat.



Laura Hulley as Sophie, left, and Michael Deibert as Sky.

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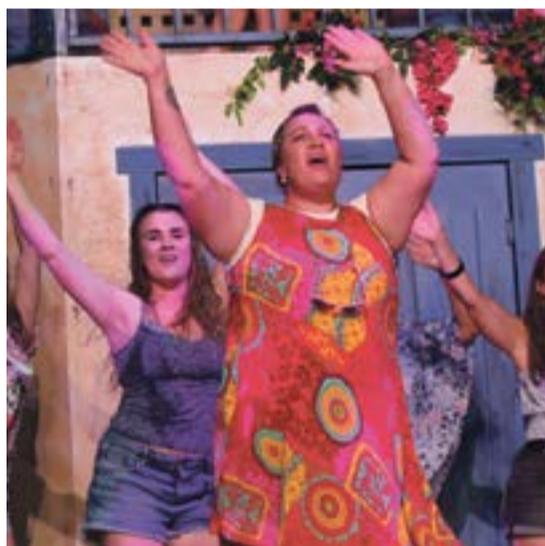
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Centre grants \$15k for community projects

By GORDON PREECE

Eight education providers are among those to each receive \$1000 grants from the Seagull Centre.

The Thames resource recovery facility rolled out a total of \$15,000 for 15 local community funding grants on May 30 to allow individuals and organisations to turn their environmental project vision into a reality.

The public could apply for the grants for projects that created opportunities for locals to engage in local environmental issues or if they focused on community resilience through sustainable living practices, food security, education, or environmental kaitiakitanga (guardianship).

Board member Karen Woodhall told *The Profile* the Seagull Centre initially planned to give away 10 grants but decided to increase to 15 after there were “so many worthy applicants.”

“We went back to the trustees and said they’re all worthy, can we please spend another \$5000?” she said.

“We did initially talk about it as a board but if we did go over 10, there was some leeway.”

“Out of the 17 applicants there was definitely 15 who were well within the criteria, so we extended it to five.”



Seagull Centre community grant recipients received a total of \$15,000 for community projects.

Photo: GORDON PREECE

The Seagull Centre strongly encouraged youth to apply for one of this year’s grants and Karen said it was great to have eight out of 15 recipients involving youth.

“We had four schools basically asking for the same thing which is garden to table... which is interesting because you’d think that would be well saturated by other things that are going on in the community but it’s not,” she said.

“The (Kauaeranga Valley)

Christian Camp, they were going to get children to plant the Central Kids application [to] restore Speedy Reserve, so again that’s something the kids are going to do.

“Moanataiari, they actually got two grants because they’re going to clean up [Burke St stream] here in front of us and they’re also looking after the dotterels in Kuranui Bay.”

Karen said there were more applications than the previous time the Seagull Centre made

community grants available three or four years ago.

“In the meantime we’ve had to get our building and park here finished and that’s what we were concerned about money-wise, getting this sorted out,” she said.

“So that’s the only reason why we haven’t made the grants but now we’re in a position where we’re all sorted and are making some money, so it’s time to give back to the community.”

Karen said projects that benefited from Seagull Centre grants needed to be completed before December.

“We’ll ask them what they did with the money, maybe some before and after pictures, any comments or responses, we’ll get some accountability out of it, but I think the main thing is that it’s a visual thing,” she said.

RECIPIENTS

Kauaeranga Valley Christian Camp, to purchase trees for youngsters to plant; The Basket Hauraki: Scope Food Action Rescue Plan targeting food waste; Matatoki School: garden to table; Thames Tongan Community: contribute to the cost of a container for Tonga; Central Kids Kindergarten Ngatea: regeneration of plantings in Speedy Reserve; Thames Coast Kindergarten: mulching and planting natives on Kindy grounds; Coromandel Area School - Rongoa Gardens for students to use in Māori healing ways; Thames South School: community gardens; Thames Coast Kiwi Care: pest control education materials; Moanataiari School: stream care, guardianship of Burke St stream and Kuranui Bay. Moanataiari School: creation of community composting system; Turua School: garden to table; KiriKiri Bird Corridor Group: pest control; Karaka Backyard Trappers Collective: pest control.

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Paeroa College's cook-off

Paeroa College students took part in an Enviroschools Māra Kai Challenge on May 26, with each team needing to create a nutritious lunch of one cooked dish, one cold dish, and a nutritious drink or dessert. The two best plates from each team were served to the judges, Hauraki councillor Duncan Smeaton, and The Falls Retreat chef Brad King. The challenge had the students using as many fruit and veggies grown in the college's garden as possible. Also in attendance were Waikato Regional Council's senior education advisor Michelle Daly and environmental education facilitators Jenni Scothern King and Ruairi Kelly. **Reporter Kelley Tantau** caught the action.



Te Au Pounamu Warren, left, and Wairua Parata show off their cooking abilities.

Photos: KELLEY TANTAU



Dressed up for the school's World Peace day is Abigail Cox.



Ryan Ball and Carl Lucero made an apple crumble.



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Falls Retreat chef Brad King was one of the judges.



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Rural Life

Increasing diesel costs impact farmers

By GORDON PREECE

Travelling and socialising less are one of many impacts increasing diesel prices are likely having on Hauraki-Coromandel farmers, Federated Farmers says.

Hauraki-Coromandel Federated Farmers president Robert Craw told *The Profile* the district's farmers were prioritising travel for essential tasks due to high diesel prices, and cutting back on additional travel could cause isolation.

"I can speak for myself as well... unless it's a necessity trip it's not being done," he said.

"Socialising is quite important

for farmers' mental well being and if they're going to have to reduce their potential holidays, travel and kids sports travel... because they can't afford the high fuel prices, [it's] definitely going to impact."

Mr Craw said the advocacy group for farmers noticed "a good couple of months ago" diesel prices would remain high.

"The government obviously signalled that with the fact that it [would] reduce the diesel mileage charge and diesel tax charges, and continuing to hold that longer indicated to us we're going to have to live with this for quite some time," he said.

"On the back of a dry season, everyone's feeding out a lot more to supplement their livestock and we're also going into winter [so] everyone's feeding out every day anyway so it's making it quite a lot tougher on everyone's bottom lines.

"Given the fact that we didn't budget for prices to be anywhere near this high, it's definitely going to hit them in the pocket quite hard."

According to fuel tracking website Gasp, the average nationwide diesel price was \$2.65 per litre as at June 1, up by 18.75 cents in 28 days. Mr Craw said while Feder-

ated Farmers was giving advice to farmers to manage diesel prices, there wasn't anything further it could do.

"The big unknown now is are we going to have to live with this where it is now, and potentially increasing or is it going to stabilise is the big question," he said.

"Because diesel at this point is a necessity to us, we don't have the opportunity, option or luxury of electric vehicles that will do the job for us.

"[So] we're just at a point that we just kind of have to suck it up and work out how we're going to manage it until alternatives come

along... so pretty hard to swallow."

Mr Craw said the government could do more to provide diesel price relief for farmers and producers.

"[The government] could look into ways they could minimise those costs so they could get products to market at the cheapest rate possible so that the consumers are not having to wear that cost."

The government reduced fuel costs by 25 cents a litre in March for three months as part of its cost of living package. In May's Budget the government promised to reduce fuel costs by 25 cents a litre through to August.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Paeroa Little Theatre entertainment returns

By GORDON PREECE

Sixteen local entertainers will ignite Paeroa Little Theatre's stage for an improv fundraising show on June 17.

Chairperson Rowena Buchanan told *The Profile* the event, dubbed *Friday Night at the Theatre*, aims to raise funds for the theatre's general maintenance and bring local entertainment back for Paeroa's community.

"This year at the AGM the committee said we have overheads, we own the building and the land so we have the rates and the insurance and the power... those things mean we actually need to create something during the year to actually keep our heads above water," she said.

"Our own shows are our way we make money and we've been unable to get those off the ground partially because of lockdowns but also partially just because of people being in a less secure situation.

"Bringing those shows to Paeroa is something we think... really adds to the Paeroa community."

Rowena said the theatre, which had operated for more than 90 years, also had high hire costs as its source of income which had also dropped due to Covid-19.

Committee member Don Neil said the show featured 16 entertainers from the Hauraki



Don Neil, left, and Rowena Buchanan are organising Paeroa Little Theatre's fundraising show, *Friday Night at the Theatre*. Photo: GORDON PREECE

District.

"We'll have some outstanding musicians, some dancers, storytellers, poets... there'll also be a couple of skits by local actors as part of that entertainment," he said.

"We've had a great response from mostly everyone we've

considered to be part of it so we'll be looking at a great night's entertainment for a couple of hours."

Rowena said doors open for the event at 6:30pm, and the show begins at 7pm.

The event will be in two segments with an intermission,

and finish between 9:30pm and 10pm.

Rowena said 50 tickets would be available to purchase for \$20 each at the door on the night.

"That's higher than we've asked for some of our shows in the past but because of the fun-

draising element we're hoping people will support that and be prepared to pay a little extra for the ticket," she said.

Details: *Friday Night at the Theatre*, Paeroa Little Theatre, 1 Francis St, on June 17. Doors open 6:30pm, tickets \$20 available at the door.

Kauaeranga Music is back with *Albi & The Wolves*

Not since July, 2021, have the walls at the historic Kauaeranga Valley Hall resonated to the sound of music.

But that is set to change with Kauaeranga Music's first concert for 2022 on Sunday afternoon, June 12.

"We have been hanging out for this day, waiting until we all can feel safe to gather together for live music once again" Kauaeranga Music's Peter Revell said.

"So many people have commented on how they miss the opportunity to kick back and engage with quality live music and musicians."

Albi & The Wolves are set to

fire up the stage, and fill hearts with hope, with their energetic and relatable alternative indie folk songs.

The trio, Chris Dent, Pascal Roggen and Michael Young, has a huge sound that is simply created by an acoustic guitar, electric violin, double bass and their three voices. They have crafted a stage show full of energy and moments for reflection.

Since 2014 they have gone from strength to strength touring in Australia, New Zealand and Rarotonga, and in 2018 they took home the Best Folk Artist Award at the Vodafone New Zealand Music Awards.

What makes the band special

is the sense of community that follows them everywhere they go - whether it's connection through dance, laughter or singing, audiences feel radiant after shows and keep coming back for more.

Chris Dent (Lead Vocals, Acoustic Guitar, Stomp); Pascal Roggen (Electric Violin, Backing Vocals); Michael Young (Double Bass, Backing Vocals)

DETAILS: Sunday 12 June at 2:30pm (afternoon indoor gig), Kauaeranga Hall, 437 Kauaeranga Valley Rd, Thames. Door sales \$25; Pre-book \$22 txt: 021 912 993, email: kauaerangahallmusic@gmail.com, or Lotus Realm 714 Pollen St, Thames.



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ENTERTAINMENT

Monologues to give voice to Gallipoli

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

An upcoming play that gives a voice to the many faces of Gallipoli was inspired by an improvised monologue at a Waihi acting workshop.

Actor Mark Wright, who has starred in almost 40 different television series including What Now and Shortland Street, was hosting an adults' acting workshop back in 2021 with the Waihi Drama Society when he performed an off-the-cuff monologue inspired by WWI.

The performance was well-received, with audience-members encouraging Mark to turn it into a play.

"A number of them came up to me and said I should write it down and turn it into a play, so that had been banging around in my head... I thought we were over Covid then, but last year we went back into it and [the play] went on the back-burner," he said.

After being asked by Hauraki District Council to be part of an Anzac Day video series, Mark, an "amateur historian" performed a draft of his show at a "work in progress" evening in which audience members could provide feedback. He was spurred on to finish the play, and it will now have its premiere on June 11 at the Waihi Boyd Road Theatre.

"I want the piece to be engaging and entertaining, but also historical," he said. "It's putting



Mark Wright will premiere his play 'The Gallipoli Monologues' at Waihi this weekend. Photo: SUPPLIED

humanity back into the facts and the figures. When you've got someone on-stage, live, speaking as a character as if they're there, I think it brings it home because

people can relate."

Mark is an accomplished improviser and has been a regional, national, and international theatre sports champion, represent-

ing New Zealand at improv competitions around the world.

He said the one-man play contained nine monologues based on different characters, sym-

bolised by him changing hats throughout the production.

"I've been consuming a lot of verbatim accounts, letters, stories, and have read a number of books... and how I write [the monologues] is I pick a character in my head and basically improvise," he said.

"When it's fresh, I will do it again and record it on my phone, type it out, and edit it."

Mark's great-grandfather was the proprietor of the Rob Roy Hotel in Waihi, while two of his great uncle's served in Gallipoli, returning to New Zealand injured and dying shortly after WWI due to complications from their wounds. In 2014, he fronted a documentary series which saw him complete a "life-long dream" by travelling to Gallipoli and the Anzac Cove in Turkey.

"[The play] is a bit of a roller coaster of emotions. Obviously, we're dealing with a massive tragedy that has a massive impact on New Zealand to this day," he said.

"The people are gone but the families live on, and it's important to keep the memories alive."

DETAILS: The Gallipoli Monologues, Saturday, June 11 at 7pm, and Sunday, June 12 at 4pm, on at the Waihi Boyd Road Theatre. Tickets \$30 at Waihi Stationery. If the June 12 matinee sells out, a second evening show may be added.



Quartz found at Waihi



Vintage Valley News

As part of a Valley Profile series, **MEGHAN HAWKES** searches through old newspapers to bring you the stories Thames Valley locals once read about themselves.

1869

The Māori settlement of Waihi attracted a number of miners after auriferous quartz was said to be found there. The road from Ohinemuri to Waihi was a good one, running in the hollows of the range, and it was supposed that an alluvial field was somewhere between the two places. Unrest over the loss of Māori land meant gold diggers travelling between Ohinemuri Waihi and were not safe but the steamer Clyde sailed at once with a second batch of diggers, the remainder of which would be taken on a third trip.

Māori signal fires blazing in close proximity to Thames were repeated over two nights and appeared to be a communication to the Thames and Piako Māori. Residents were advised to not be alarmed.

A new gold discovery was made near the Miranda Redoubt - part of the stone was crystallised and the remainder was dark blue in which gold was plainly visible. Prospecting parties had been working there for some time and



A gold miner carries all his possessions and equipment in the swag on his back. Photo: SUPPLIED

naford, O'Keeffe, Brissenden, and Logan. The property consisted of about 8000 acres commencing at Puriri and extending to Hikutaia. A 20 horse power engine would drive twelve of Price and Fraser's flax machines. The development of flax was seen as second only in importance to that of the vigorous working of the quartz reefs.

The township of Hastings (Tapu) situated on a small flat backed by noble looking hills was predicted to prove the source of considerable wealth to the district. Tapu Creek took its course for miles through the hills and was one of the longest and best prospected on the Thames goldfield. The population was around 600 and was served by no less than eight public houses and six stores, which was amply sufficient to supply the population with all necessary comforts.

A petition to form the separate townships of Shortland and Grahamstown into a municipality so they were able to govern themselves better was presented to his Excellency the Governor. Few goldfield towns had grown into such respectable proportions as the towns of Shortland and Grahamstown had in the short space of two years.

The ti-tree and flax swamps had been changed into busy streets, and the sites of old peach groves were now thickly planted with houses. Aucklanders grumbled that their streets were not repaired, but at Thames there were no streets to repair and the inhabitants were more than justified in demanding some change for the better.

Knitted items donated

The Kerepehi Women's Institute May meeting was held at Kerepehi Bowling Club. Vice president Carolyn Giles welcomed five members there as our president was overseas.

Our thought for the month was researched by Debbie Smith: "The more we co-operate, the better we operate". Debbie also supplied our raffle, which was won by Marion van Eyk. We only had one birthday this month, which was Elaine Jolliffe, who will get her present at next month's meeting when she returns. We drew our fundraising Mothers' Day raffle, which was won by one of our members, Sue Watson. One of our roll calls was to fill a matchbox with things starting with the letter F. It's amazing what you get. 1st Bev Adamson, 24; 2nd Jan Edmonds, 20. Bev Adamson and Jan Edmonds presented 13 crocheted single blankets to Te korowai and three knee rugs. We had also been collecting children's pyjamas for their project Jammies in June for Middlemore Hospital, with 21 pairs and five pairs of knitted slippers sent from our Institute. COMPETITIONS: Flower: Bloom: 1st Carolyn Giles, 2nd Marion van Eyk, 3rd Jan Edmonds; Spike: 1st Jan Edmonds, 2nd Carolyn Giles, 3rd Marion van Eyk; Shrub 1st Bev Adamson, 2nd Jan Edmonds, 3rd Carolyn Giles. Herb: 1st Jan Edmonds, 2nd Marion van Eyk, 3rd Carolyn Giles. Vegetable: 1st Jan Edmonds, 2nd Marion van Eyk, 3rd Carolyn Giles. Homemade pot pourri hanging: 1st Bev Adamson, 2nd Debbie Smith. The next meeting will be on June 14 at Kerepehi Bowling Club.

GOLDFIELDS WI

The May Meeting of the Goldfields Women's Institute commenced with the aspiration and prayer. Thoughts were given for our federation president, Shirley Harding, who recently lost her husband. The Motto for the month: "Learn your lessons quickly and move

on", was read by Val Bowen and the good deed was tissues, toothbrushes, combs, razors, etc for our emergency toilet bags at Thames Hospital. The roll call was the most embarrassing moment, which became rather hilarious with some of the ladies. Birthday girls this month are Carole Bridle and Beryl Allison, and raffles were won by Jean Brady, Carole Cresswell and Bev Schenkel. The table was again full of beautiful baby knitting, toilet bags, knitted or crochet rugs for the elderly, which we know will be well received when boxes are sent.

COMPETITIONS: Bloom: 1 Val Bowen, 2 Sue Fah. Cluster: 1 Sue Fah, 2 Val Bowen. Shrub: 1 Val Bowen, 2 Sue Fah. ORCHID: 1 Sue Fah.

DISTRICT FEDERATION WI

The Thames Hauraki Plains District Federation of Women's Institute held their social day recently in the Ngatea Memorial Hall. Stalls were set up in the hall, with members buying up large. Maramara/Kopuku provided us with plenty of hot soup and buns for lunch, which was their way of making some money. This is a day to help Institutes raise money to send a delegate to the National Conference in Lower Hutt at the end of May. During the morning, two quizzes were held, and after lunch, a blind bottle auction was held, with many laughs when you realised how much money you spent on a bottle you were bidding on. Raffles were won by Helen Udy, Margaret Overdeest, and Jean Brady. This was a great day for all our Institutes in the area to have a get together, especially after the many functions in the past year having to be cancelled.

COMPETITIONS: Art: 1 Vera Sanson, 2 Bev Adamson, 3rd= Bev Schenkel and Jan Edmonds. Cooking: 1 Lynn McGuire, 2 Shirley Rea. Craft: 1 Vera Sanson, 2nd= Maxine Burke and Lynn McGuire, 3 Dawn Clark.

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Woman's altruism feeds hungry Waihi

By KELLEY TANTAU, Public Interest Journalism funded by NZ On Air

Sandra Fisher spends an extra \$200 a week at the supermarket.

Once her own groceries have been bought and paid for, she purchases ingredients that she will use in meals she then delivers around the community for free.

It's an act of altruism that first started in March this year.

"It was a bit of a lightbulb moment," she told *The Profile*.

"I was cooking with the baptist church and it was just [seeing] the quantity of food... I thought to myself: if this all goes - and it did - there is such a need."

After Sandra launched her Facebook page - Waihi Frozen Meals - she hit the ground running and was making 91 meals across three days.

Now, she is making 91 meals in 24 hours.

"I knew there was a great need out there, but I probably didn't realise it would become a full-time thing, but it definitely is," she said.

Sandra has been cooking at The Salvation Army in Waihi,

and alongside two volunteers, she once spent 10 hours making 160 meals.

The meals are then frozen and hand-delivered to pensioners and families throughout the Hauraki town.

"I don't ask for stories. If people reach out, then I'm giving," she said.

"There were quite a few isolating [from Covid] who didn't have the means to get food, and I have regular people who are mostly of the older generation, or people that have had accidents... then there are some people who have weeks when they just can't make ends meet."

The multitude of meals are kept in Sandra's stand-up or chest freezers, and are divided out depending on people's circumstances and the size of the household.

But with the rising cost of fresh vegetables, meat, and dairy products, Sandra said her mission was becoming "a struggle".

She's "one of those" people who shy away from asking for help, but is calling on monetary donations, or donations of food or petrol vouchers, to keep her cooking.

"All of that would be great,"

"I don't ask for stories. If people reach out, then I'm giving."

- Sandra Fisher



Sandra Fisher has been making frozen meals for households since March.

Photo: KELLEY TANTAU

she said.

Sandra also has a dream of expanding into a 'meals on wheels' service, delivering a hot meal to those in need of a helping hand.

"I want to get it going as soon as possible... because there is no service here. When you're dealing with people with alzheimer's or dementia... they're kind of left to

cope on their own, which to me is wrong," she said.

"It all depends on the funding, but the ultimate would be to have a hot meal delivered Monday to Friday, and maybe sandwiches and a little dessert."

Sandra has been making meals such as vegetable or chicken fried rice, curried sausages, homemade soups, pasta

dishes, and when she was given roast meats, she dished them up alongside mashed potato and veggies.

DETAILS: If anyone can help source a space for Sandra's service, or is interested in donating, contact Sandra via her Waihi Frozen Meals Facebook page.





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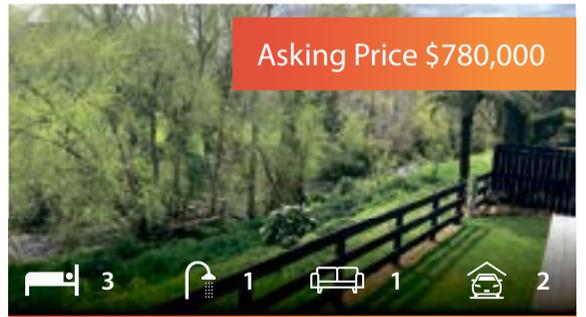


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SPORTS

Cool runnings

Thames Valley's Secondary Schools Cross Country Championships ran smoothly on May 31 at South Farm in Mangatarata. Four of the district's schools competed with students facing challenging terrain over rolling hills, creeks and mud. Reporter **GORDON PREECE** caught the action.



Paeroa College year 10 Isabella Dryland runs up the hill.



Hauraki Plains College students line up for the under 16 girls race.

Photos: GORDON PREECE



Waihi College year 9 Koby Phillips races to the finish.



Thames High's Lorenzo Yamamoto has a great run.



Thames High's Hannah Laurence, left, races uphill.



Hauraki students James Wootton, left, and Reuben Williamson race down the straight.



HPC's Hamish Paterson puts in a great effort.

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Reveal information unintentionally or indiscreetly (5,3,5)
 - 8 Not convinced (6)
 - 14 Say (5)
 - 15 Uncurving (8)
 - 16 Red-faced (7)
 - 17 Quick-witted (5)
 - 18 Sour (3)
 - 19 Distinguished musician (7)
 - 21 Thwart (9)
 - 22 Duty list (6)
 - 25 Breed of horse (10)
 - 27 Programme (8)
 - 28 Spurn (6)
 - 31 Diamond, graphite, charcoal element (6)
 - 33 Sound intensity unit (7)
 - 34 Creamy dessert (6)
 - 35 Pack away (4)
 - 37 Couple (3)
 - 39 Large luxurious car (4)
 - 40 Woollen fabric (7)
 - 41 Came into (9)
 - 42 Hearing distance (7)
 - 43 Melt (8)
 - 48 Innocuous (8)
 - 52 Sticks (7)
 - 56 Green rust on copper (9)
 - 57 Torrid zone (7)
 - 58 Rip (4)
 - 59 Top (3)
 - 60 Ceramic square (4)
 - 61 Continued story (6)
 - 62 Outlawed (7)
 - 63 Wakened (6)
 - 65 Woven container (6)
 - 66 Lacking energy or enthusiasm (8)
 - 68 Place I go to (anag) (10)
 - 71 Journey (6)
 - 72 Hideously malformed (9)
 - 74 Arm muscles (7)
 - 76 Spoil (3)
 - 79 Cut off (5)
 - 80 Recipe (7)
 - 81 Militant political crusader (8)
 - 83 Musty (5)
 - 84 Somnolent (6)
 - 85 Tease or ridicule someone (4,3,6)
 - DOWN**
 - 2 Hidden or unexpected danger (7)
 - 3 Power cables (5)
 - 4 Harbour boat (3)
 - 5 Dines (4)
 - 6 Fizzy (12)
 - 7 Naming words (5)
 - 8 Modernised (7)
 - 9 Winner's ribbon (4)
 - 10 Logic (6)
 - 11 Army officer (5)
 - 12 Flawless (7)
 - 13 Company part-owner (11)
 - 14 Seen (7)
 - 20 Bitter (9)
 - 23 Her award (anag) (8)
 - 24 Round of applause (7)
 - 26 Of questionable value (7)
 - 27 Bluest (anag)(6)
 - 29 Give the right to (7)
 - 30 Respiratory disorder (6)
 - 32 Accused's defence (5)
 - 34 Night-flying insects (5)
 - 36 Walks in water (5)
 - 38 Pack full (4)
 - 43 Bed cover (5)
 - 44 Left over (7)
 - 45 Leave out (4)
 - 46 Fluctuated (6)
 - 47 Refrigerate (5)
 - 48 Passed down object (8)
 - 49 Water supply lake (9)
 - 50 Salad vegetable (7)
 - 51 Room (5)
 - 52 Analgesic drug (7)
 - 53 Basic, undeveloped (11)
 - 54 Gramophone needle (6)
 - 55 Express pleasure to someone on their success (12)
 - 64 Recovery setback (7)
 - 65 Stain (7)
 - 67 Economical (7)
 - 69 Stalemate (7)
 - 70 Cereal pest (6)
 - 71 Ordeal (5)
 - 73 Underwater gear (5)
 - 75 Municipal (5)
 - 77 Impulse (4)
 - 78 Money (4)
 - 82 Male cat (3)

PREVIOUS SOLUTION

ACROSS: 1 Recital, 4 Complaints, 9 Affable, 13 Tame, 14 Gaelic, 15 Marina, 16 Protect, 19 Reserve, 20 Blow one's own trumpet, 21 Relish, 22 Harden, 24 Terminate, 29 Feathers, 30 Trance, 31 Headway, 35 Mandolin, 36 Siding, 37 Rile, 38 Eaves, 39 Die, 41 Sated, 43 Stewed, 47 Gaffe, 50 Tot, 54 Aphid, 55 Odds, 56 Canopy, 57 Bona fide, 60 Diverse, 61 Divots, 62 Synopsis, 65 Great Dane, 67 Kit out, 68 Jalopy, 72 Red-carpet treatment, 75 Present, 77 Trouble, 78 Fourth, 79 Rabbit, 80 Ball, 81 Steered, 82 Incomplete, 83 Nucleus.

DOWN: 1 Rotor, 2 Camisole, 3 Leaves, 4 Celebrated, 5 Macho, 6 Lampoon, 7 Israel, 8 Tango, 10 Forerunner, 11 Attempt, 12 Locket, 17 Prosperous, 18 Gnome, 21 Resumed, 23 Dismiss, 25 Escort, 26 Strict, 27 Tangle, 28 Gazebo, 30 Trite, 32 Deal, 33 Once, 34 Flea, 40 Impair, 42 Eddy, 44 Tycoon, 45 Wings, 46 Deposit, 48 Floppy, 49 Eradicated, 50 Toil, 51 Therapy, 52 Hide, 53 Assign, 58 Espadrille, 59 Unsuitable, 63 Adieu, 64 Tolerate, 66 Recluse, 67 Ketchup, 69 Regret, 70 Weir, 71 Option, 73 Thorn, 74 Eyrie, 76 Tells.

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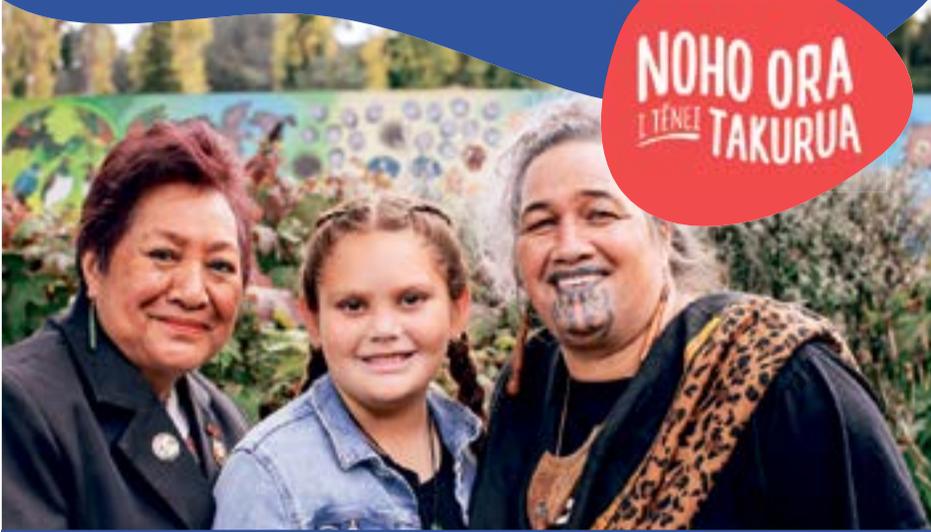


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- ✓ Stay home if you are sick
E noho ki te kāinga mēnā kei te māuiui koe

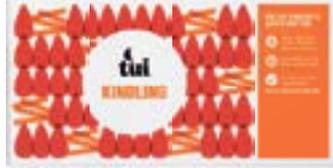
✓ Dress for the weather / **Kakahua mo te huarere**

✓ Keep your home warm / **Kia mahana tō kāinga**

✓ Check-in with friends and loved ones
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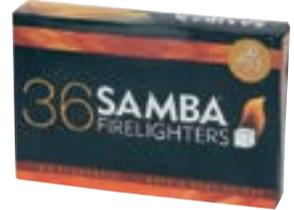


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